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**Notification of Non-Compliance
With 37 CFR 1.192(c)**

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The Appeal Brief filed on 02 June 2004 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c). See MPEP § 1206.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file IN TRIPLICATE a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 1.192(c) within the longest of any of the following three **TIME PERIODS**: (1) **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS** from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer; (2) **TWO MONTHS** from the date of the notice of appeal; or (3) within the period for reply to the action from which this appeal was taken. **EXTENSIONS OF THESE TIME PERIODS MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136.**

1. ☐ The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 1.192(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order.
2. ☐ The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, pending or cancelled, or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 1.192(c)(3)).
3. ☐ At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 1.192(c)(4)).
4. ☐ The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the claimed invention, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 1.192(c)(5)).
5. ☐ The brief does not contain a concise statement of the issues presented for review (37 CFR 1.192(c)(6)).
6. ☐ A single ground of rejection has been applied to two or more claims in this application, and
 - (a) ☐ the brief omits the statement required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7) that one or more claims do not stand or fall together, yet presents arguments in support thereof in the argument section of the brief.
 - (b) ☐ the brief includes the statement required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7) that one or more claims do not stand or fall together, yet does not present arguments in support thereof in the argument section of the brief.
7. ☐ The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each issue on appeal (37 CFR 1.192(c)(8)).
8. ☐ The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 1.192(c)(9)).
9. ☒ Other (including any explanation in support of the above items):

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Continuation of 9. Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): The "Status of Claims" statement is incorrect. Claim 1 is not the sole issue on appeal since the amendment submitted 6/2/04 has not been entered and will not be entered for raising new issues that would require further considerations and search.

The "Status of Amendments" statement is incorrect. In the Advisory Action dated 3/1/04, the Examiner stated "The amended feature 'rigidly fixed . . . the transverse wall. ' requires further consideration." In other words, the amended portion "rigidly fixed to the piston and to the transverse wall thereby providing no degree of freedom between the tongues and either the piston and the transverse wall." would require further consideration.

The "Issues" statement is incorrect because claim 1 has not been rejected under 112, 1st paragraph.

The "Grouping of Claims" statement is incorrect because claim 1 has not been rejected under 112, 1st paragraph. Furthermore, there are 31 claims, NOT 30 claims.

Appellant is advised that the amendment filed 6/2/04 will not be entered for raising new issues that would require further considerations and search. .

Lam Nguyen
8/16/04